

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MUNICIPAL PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS FOR AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 7-131q of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 3 passage):
- 4 (e) (1) Upon authorization of the body in such municipality having
- 5 the power of appropriation, the moneys in said fund may be used by
- 6 the municipality for the acquisition in its name of the development
- 7 rights of agricultural land and for any expenditure incurred for the
- 8 preservation of agricultural land, provided [(1)] (A) the development
- 9 rights have been voluntarily offered for sale to the municipality by the
- owner, and [(2)] (B) the land has been designated for preservation
- 11 purposes by the municipality in an open space plan, municipal plan of
- 12 conservation and development or farmland preservation plan.
- 13 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
- 14 the municipality may use the moneys in said fund for the acquisition

- in its name of the rights of the fee owner of agricultural land to construct any residence or any farm structure on agricultural land.
- 17 (3) The municipality may accept as a gift in its name the rights of the 18 fee owner of agricultural land to construct any residence or any farm
- 19 <u>structure on agricultural land.</u>

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	from passage	7-131q(e)

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